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TO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: RECOVERY EFFORTS OF TAKEN OVER ASSETS OF P.T. BAUD
INDONESIA

REF: A. JAKARTA 8946

B. STATE 69787

1. DEPARTMENT HAS NOTHING TO ADD TO INFORMATION ON
CHESAREK AND BAUD CLAIM CONTAINED IN REF B AND BARGER
LETTER OF MAY 30 TO CHESAREK WITH ATTACHMENTS, COPY OF
WHICH POUCHED TO EMBASSY.

2. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF TIME WHICH
EMBASSY HAS SPENT ON P.T. BAUD CASE INCLUDING EXPRESSIONS
OF INTEREST TO GOI. IT ALSO IS AWARE OF CHESAREK'S OBVIOUS
ABILITY TO PURSUE ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REMEDIES HIM-
SELF. AT THE SAME TIME, DEPARTMENT HAS NO WISH TO AVOID IN
ANY WAY ITS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PROTECTION OF AMERICAN
PROPERTY ABROAD, WHICH ARE LONG ESTABLISHED, AND WERE MOST
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RECENTLY EXPRESSED IN PRESIDENT'S POLICY STATEMENT OF

JANUARY 19, 1972. FACT THAT POLICY STATEMENT IS PROSPECTIVE, GOVERNING EXPROPRIATIONS OCCURRING AFTER DATE OF ITS ISSUANCE, DOES NOT IN ANY WAY INVALIDATE THESE TRADITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

3. AT SAME TIME, SUCH RESPONSIBILITIES ARE DISCRETIONARY. AMOUNT OF LEVERAGE AND EFFORT WHICH USG CAN EXPEND INTO ANY ONE CASE DEPENDS ON MANY FACTORS, NOT LEAST OF WHICH IS PERSONNEL AVAILABLE, AND DEMANDS ON TIME OF OVERSEAS POSTS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF OTHER IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITIES.

4. AT ITS DISCRETION, EMBASSY SHOULD DRAW ON PARAS (2) AND (3) ABOVE IN EXPLAINING SITUATION TO GENERAL CHESAREK. EMBASSY SHOULD HAVE IN MIND THAT AS LONG AS CHESAREK IS AUTHORIZED TO ACT FOR SEA OIL AND GENERAL, STATUS OF HIS OWNERSHIP IS IMMATERIAL, AS IS POSSIBILITY THAT HE MAY BE WELL CONNECTED IN WASHINGTON BUREAUCRACY AND ON THE HILL. SEA OIL MATTER SHOULD BE HANDLED IN SAME MANNER AS CLAIM OF ANY US CITIZEN. ROGERS

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